Los Ageles County Sheriff's Department Officer Involved Shooting

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Officer Involved Shooting Involved Employee Information

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Officer Involved Shooting Suspect Information

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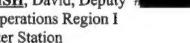
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY DEPUTY INVOLVED SHOOTING, NON-HIT SH2053387

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On Tuesday, January 1, 2002, Sergeants Michael Berg and William Hines of the Internal Affairs Bureau responded to Lancaster Station regarding a deputy-involved, non-hit shooting. Internal Affairs Bureau Lieutenant Karyn Mannis also responded. A Lancaster motor deputy made a traffic stop of a vehicle for a speeding violation. The vehicle yielded in an alley south of and parallel to Avenue I (1100 block) in Lancaster. As the deputy was stepping off of his motorcycle, the driver of the stopped vehicle put his car into reverse, accelerated and tried to run over the deputy. The vehicle ran over the deputy's motorcycle as the deputy jumped off of the motorcycle. Fearing for his life, the deputy stood up and fired two rounds at the suspect driver/vehicle, striking the vehicle once but not the suspect(s). The vehicle was put into drive and accelerated away from the scene. The deputy believed the vehicle contained a male driver and a female passenger. The deputy suffered minor injuries.

INVOLVED PERSONNEL

REDDISH, David, Deputy # Field Operations Region I Lancaster Station



EMPLOYEE WORK HISTORY:

REDDISH, David

Date of Employment Date assigned to Patrol Completed Patrol Training Prior Shooting Incident(s) Prior Founded Force Incidents



SUSPECTS:

Unknown

MB/20-25

Not in Custody (Driver)

Unknown

FB/20-25

Not in Custody (Passenger)

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY WITNESS:

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WITNESS:

MW/64

INJURIES:

REDDISH, David

- -cervical strain
- -strain to right ankle
- -complaint of pain to upper back
- -complaint of headache

Deputy Reddish was treated by Dr. F. Auerbach and Nurse Practitioner J. Gamsby at the Antelope Valley Hospital Emergency Room in Lancaster. He was treated for a cervical strain and a right ankle strain. Deputy Reddish was placed off of work for two days by the doctor. Due to the nature of Deputy Reddish's injuries/complaints of pain, no injuries were visible and no photographs were taken. Refer to the hospital release and aftercare forms, Exhibit D.

PHYSICAL EVIDENCE:

Sergeant Hines examined Deputy Reddish's departmental-issued Beretta, model 92F, serial # at Lancaster Station after the incident. He found one live departmental-issued round in the chamber and 13 live rounds in the magazine. The weapon was off safe. The firearm was examined at the Crime Lab by Firearms Examiner Anderson on January 3, 2002, and found to be functional. Refer to Crime Lab receipt #J220341.

The suspect's vehicle was a 1995 Toyota Tercel, green, CA license The vehicle was a stolen/carjacked vehicle from LAPD Van Nuys Station area. It was taken on 12-28-01 at 1815 by 2 M/B suspects. The vehicle was later found abandoned and was recovered at Elm St./Avenue H-8 in Lancaster. The vehicle was processed for fingerprints and evidence, and photographed by Crime Scene Investigator Watson Lee. Refer to the CHP-180 and supplemental reports under the same file number for additional information, Exhibit A. The vehicle sustained the following damage: white paint transfer marks and scratches on the rear bumper; the rear windshield was shattered and there was a bullet strike on the top of the rear windshield/roof area from Deputy Reddish's first round. No bullet was recovered. Refer to the photographs of the vehicle, Exhibit F.

Deputy Reddish's second round missed the suspect vehicle and was fired in a northeast direction. The round struck a 2000 Ford Focus, black, CA license The vehicle was parked approximately 313 feet east of the shooting scene in the south parking lot of a Denny's Restaurant

and was facing north toward a block wall of Denny's. The round entered the driver side rear quarter panel. The bullet hole was located approximately a foot above the rear wheel well of the vehicle. The bullet entered the left side of the trunk interior and struck a support on the right side of the trunk interior. The bullet did not exit the vehicle, however, no bullet was recovered. Refer to photographs of the vehicle, Exhibit G.

The below listed evidence can be referenced in the crime scene diagram of the alley south of Avenue I, Exhibit B. Two expended shell casings from Deputy Reddish's weapon were located in the alley. Both casings were on the south side of the alley, specifically: 1'5" north of the block wall; 26' 10" west of the east unmarked Edison pole (#1 in diagram). Deputy Reddish's gloves were also located on the south side of the alley; the left glove was 6'7" north of the block wall; 25'7" west of the east unmarked Edison pole (#2 in diagram). The right glove was 6'8" north of the block wall; 33'3" west of the east unmarked Edison pole (#3 in diagram). A front fender piece of Deputy Reddish's motorcycle was located 3'1" north of the block wall; 35'3" west of the east unmarked Edison pole (#4 in diagram). All the above evidence was found on the south side of the alley, to the south and/or slightly north of the deputy's downed motorcycle. Refer to diagram and photographs of scene, Exhibits B & H.

All of the above evidence in this section is consistent with Deputy Reddish's version of the events.

For further details regarding crime scene evidence, refer to Crime Scene Investigator Deputy Watson Lee's supplemental report and diagram, Exhibits A & B.

INVESTIGATOR OBSERVATIONS:

Refer to the Physical Evidence and Property Damage sections for additional observations. There were no other witnesses due to the isolated area of the alley, most businesses being closed and relatively few people outside due to the holiday.

WEAPONS USED BY DEPUTY PERSONNEL:

Deputy Reddish, David

Departmental-issued service firearm; Beretta 92F, serial # two rounds of duty issue 9mm ammunition fired.

WEAPONS USED BY SUSPECT:

The suspect (driver) used his vehicle in an attempt to run into and/or over Deputy Reddish. The vehicle was put into reverse and accelerated, crashing into Deputy Reddish as he climbed off his motorcycle.

PROPERTY DAMAGE:

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Deputy Reddish's vehicle was a 2000 Kawasaki Police 1000 motorcycle, California Exempt license E84K49; It sustained moderate damage to the front end and front tire when the suspect's vehicle intentionally rammed into it. Refer to photographs, Exhibit I.

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interior. The bullet did not exit the vehicle, h	owever, no bullet was recovered. The registered owner,
(MB/) was contacted and given a Los
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notified by Lt. Mannis, however, declined to	respond. Deputy Jerry Cunningham of Civil Litigation
was given the registered owner's informa	tion the following day. Refer to photographs of the
vehicle, Exhibit G.	

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATOR and CHARGES FILED:

Investigator's Name	Detective Randall Prestwich (LAN)				
Court	N/A				
Charges Filed	N/A				
Court Date	N/A				
Case Number	N/A				

LIGHTING OR WEATHER CONDITIONS:

The incident occurred at approximately 1230 hours. The weather was sunny, clear and cool. Visibility was good.

INVOLVED EMPLOYEE'S STATEMENT:

Deputy Reddish, David

Deputy Reddish was working as a motorcycle traffic unit on the day of the shooting. He was dressed in a Class A uniform, wearing a Sam Browne, a Class A jacket, heavy gloves, and a motorcycle helmet and boots. Reddish said he was conducting traffic enforcement on eastbound Avenue I traffic. He saw the suspect vehicle (green Toyota Tercel) driving eastbound at approximately 58 mph. As Reddish started his motorcycle to go after the vehicle, he saw the vehicle turn into a "Crazy Otto's" restaurant (south side of street). Reddish said the vehicle proceeded through the restaurant parking lot and turned eastbound into an alley south of the restaurant.

At this point, Reddish did not feel there was anything unusual about the impending traffic stop. He thought the vehicle turned into the restaurant to eat, however, seeing the parking lot was full, continued down the alley toward "Denny's" restaurant. Reddish drove behind the vehicle in the alley and turned on his lights and siren to effect a traffic stop and cite the driver for speeding. Reddish believed the driver was a black male, 20-25 years old. He said there was a front seat passenger, a black female, 20-25 years old.

The vehicle yielded in the alley (behind a car wash). Reddish stopped his motorcycle approximately half a car-length to a full car-length behind the vehicle. He saw the vehicle was stopped, but the engine was running and the brake lights were on. Reddish did not believe the stop would be anything other than routine. Reddish did not run the vehicle's license plate prior to the stop.

IAB Note: The vehicle's license plate would have returned as a carjacked/stolen vehicle from the LAPD Van Nuys area. Refer to the DMV vehicle printout in Exhibit A.

Reddish said his motorcycle was stopped with the engine on and the clutch engaged when he saw the vehicle's back up lights come on. Reddish was straddling his motorcycle with his left foot on the ground and his right foot about to touch the ground to climb off his motorcycle. He heard the vehicle's engine race and the tires squeal as it started to back into the motorcycle. When the vehicle impacted the motorcycle, Reddish was trying to keep the motorcycle upright as the vehicle continued backing, pushing the motorcycle backward approximately 30 feet. At that point, Reddish felt the driver was trying to kill him. Reddish said the driver had ample opportunity to try to get away- the alley in front of them (east) and the parking lots/driveways to the left (north)- but chose to engage him. As the bike was being shoved backward by the vehicle, Reddish was trying not to fall to the ground. The motorcycle fell to the ground (to the right/south) as Reddish scrambled to get off of the bike and keep his balance. Reddish felt he would have been run over by the vehicle if he had not jumped off of it.

Reddish could not remember exactly how he got off his motorcycle and thought he stayed on his feet. He was trying to take his gloves off as he was getting off the bike. Reddish was wearing heavy gloves because he was on a motorcycle in the winter. He was barehanded beneath the gloves. Reddish said there was no cover in the alley and he had a block wall next to him (to the south). After taking his gloves off and throwing them to the ground, he drew his service weapon and made a quick "point-aim" at the vehicle. He said he did not have time to use his gun sights. Reddish then fired two rounds, a double-tap, at the driver of the vehicle. Reddish saw the back window of the vehicle shatter after his first round but he did not know where the second round went. He thought it might have gone through the blown out window. He heard the vehicle's engine accelerate and saw the vehicle quickly drive away eastbound down the alley.

Reddish said he was to the right of his motorcycle, between the motorcycle and the south block wall, when he fired. He was facing the vehicle. It was slightly ahead and to the left (east and north) of him and approximately a car-length away from him. Reddish's view of the vehicle was mostly of the rear of the vehicle and he could also see the passenger side. Reddish said the vehicle was stationary when he fired, and it accelerated away after the first round went into the window. Reddish said he absolutely considered the vehicle a threat when he fired. He felt the vehicle could still come after him. From the time he got off the bike, moved away from his bike, took off his gloves, drew his weapon, aimed and fired, Reddish estimated the elapsed time to be between 2-3 seconds. Reddish said the background for his field of fire were the parking lots of the DMV office and Denny's. He did not see any people, only parked vehicles. He said his attention was mainly focused on the vehicle.

As the vehicle started to drive away, Reddish continued to keep his gun aimed at the vehicle. He was not sure if the vehicle would stop and back up toward him or turn around and come at him head-on. He tried to stay ready for any actions of the suspect.

Reddish said the vehicle stopped being a threat to him the farther away it drove. He saw the vehicle turn left (north) on 11th Street West. He could hear the vehicle accelerating and saw it was driving erratically. He believed the suspect was trying to get away at this point and thought the vehicle might crash.

When the vehicle was o	out of view, Reddish put out an	emergency radio b	roadcast regarding the
	he vehicle's last seen direction as		
) walking up to him.		
	witnessed the entire incident and		
to be a witness.			

Reddish said he hurt his right knee and ankle, both shoulders and his neck during the incident.

WITNESS STATEMENT:

Witness said he was in his car just about to leave the Burger King restaurant parking lot via the rear, south exit into the alley. As waited to turn into the alley, he saw a blue vehicle speed eastbound through the alley. Estimated the vehicle's speed to be 35-40 mph. He believed the vehicle was a 1980's, 2-door, Nissan or Toyota. He was unable to observe any occupant(s). Saw a deputy sheriff on a Sheriff's motorcycle follow closely behind the speeding vehicle. After both vehicles passed the said the Sheriff's motorcycle activated its lights and siren. Said the suspect vehicle yielded in the alley behind the car wash (1120 West Avenue I).
drove eastbound down the alley at approximately 10 mph toward the traffic stop. When was about 100 feet away from the stop, he saw the suspect vehicle's back up lights come on and the car suddenly backed into and over the deputy's motorcycle. saw the suspect vehicle's tires raise off of the ground as the vehicle backed over the motorcycle. said the deputy was just climbing off of the motorcycle to the right (south) as the car backed into the motorcycle. saw the deputy jump away from the motorcycle, remove his gloves and fire two shots at the vehicle as it was pulling away. drove up behind the deputy to see if he was all right. saw the suspect vehicle drive eastbound down the alley and turn left (north) onto 13th Street at a high rate of speed. He said the deputy was on the radio at that time. told the deputy that he had seen the entire incident and the deputy asked him to stay at the scene and be a witness.
said the deputy was dressed in a Sheriff's uniform with a green jacket and police helmet. He said the deputy and his motorcycle were clearly marked and identifiable as belonging to a police officer. estimated the deputy's motorcycle was 5-10 feet behind the suspect vehicle at the time of the stop. said the vehicle yielded on the left side of the alley and the deputy's motorcycle was behind the vehicle, but in the center of the alley. said the suspect vehicle's backing was clearly a deliberate act in an attempt to run over the deputy. said the deputy could have been run over and/or badly injured if he had stayed on the motorcycle. said he thought the vehicle might back up and go after the deputy again.
said the deputy was standing about 5 feet to the south of the downed motorcycle when he drew and fired his weapon. The estimated the suspect vehicle was 15-30 feet away from the deputy and driving forward when the deputy shot at it. Said said the deputy was pulling off his gloves when he jumped away from the motorcycle, raised his gun a few seconds later and then fired. Saw the first shot hit and blow out the rear window of the suspect vehicle. He did not know where the second round went.

SUSPECTS' STATEMENTS:

None

MISCELLANEOUS SECTION:

None